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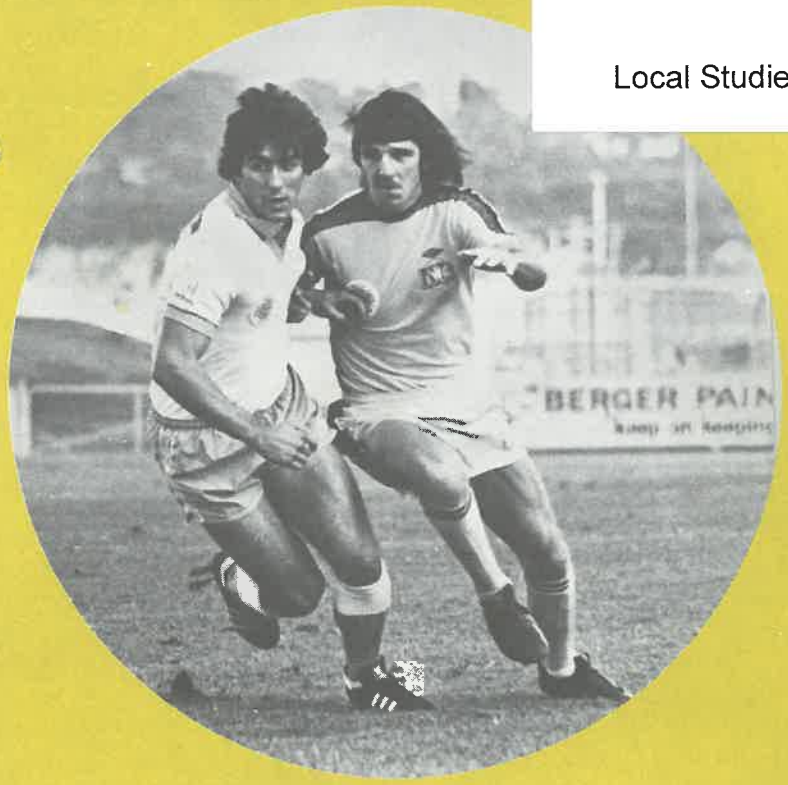

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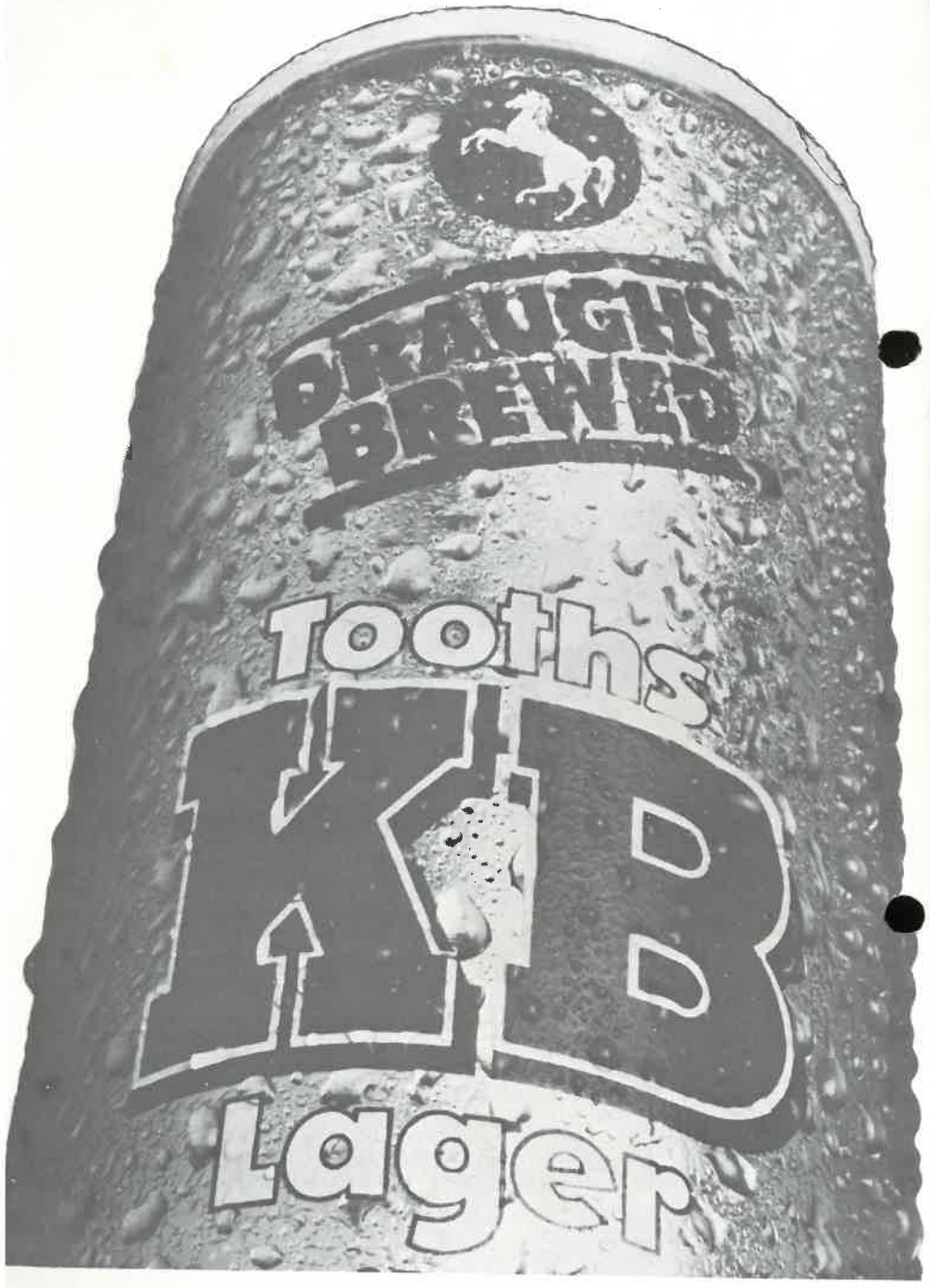

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Newcastle KB United V Western Suburbs

Sixth-placed Western Suburbs are in Newcastle today with the quest for vital points to put them on the road to a possible semi-final berth.

West are managed and coached by Scotsman Mike Laing and the Sydney club appears to be making a strong challenge that could carry them through to within sight of the honours this season.

The Magpies have assembled a talented squad of players with regular national team members Peter Wilson and Peter Stone included. Wilson, the authoritative sweeper has appeared more times for Australia than any other player and his captaincy of the Socceroos and Wests has become a tradition in recent soccer history.

Newcastle supporters are certain to give Peter Stone a great welcome back to his home town. The young midfielder moved to Sydney some time ago to try his hand and he has since blossomed into one of the best in Australia.

A former Adamstown Rosebuds player, Stone showed all the signs at an early age winning many honours as a junior including Tasman Cup trophies while captain of the Tech High (now Merewether) side.

Andy Scott, the big Wests striker has made a great impression since joining the Magpies this season and his ability in the air should provide a great contest with the Newcastle defence.

Wests position in the league is a rather interesting one. They have scored 23 goals and conceded 23 for their 14 league points. Their scoring record is third best in the league but the defensive form is the second worst. Only KB United, with 25 goals against has a worse defensive record.

Today's match could decide whether Wests fall behind in goal differences or go on to tilt the scales in favour of goals for.

Last week, playing without regular first team players Terry Eaton, Peter Wilson and Bobby Noble, Wests did well to defeat St George 2-1.

Mike Laing has some fine young players in goalkeeper Wal Lachowitz, right back Rod Skellern and defender Greg Ankudinoff, who have come through their early Philips League trials displaying great promise.

Col Curran, KB United's left back is looking forward to the game. It was while with Wests that Curran played some of his best club football and his welcome return to Newcastle this year has been a great gain for United.

In the first round Wests and United met at Englefield Stadium and Curran scored against his old club in the 1-all draw. Wests' goal came from Clive Eaton.

The youth match today should prove a lively affair. It kicks off at 12.30 pm and features the United youths against St George Dragons.

United beat the St George Colts 7-1 last week and the Dragons have come looking for revenge.

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FROM THE MANAGER'S DESK

Well, Newcastle KB United did not have the honour of being the first side to beat Marconi this year and we'll just have to wait until our next encounter to have another crack at the leaders.

But I'm sure all those wonderful Newcastle supporters who followed us to Bossley Park will agree, we gave Rale Rasic's boys one hell of a fright.

With that match now behind us we're looking at our first game of the second round against Western Suburbs today. Most Newcastle supporters will remember that we went to Sydney the week after being beaten 4-1 by Eastern Suburbs and forced a 1-all draw with Wests. So it might be deduced that a defeat only makes our players more determined to do well.

Our heavy match schedule has taken its toll on our players and last week we had to rest striker Bob Mountford. However, those players carrying injuries appear to have got through the worst stages and we can look forward to fielding our strongest sides again.

We've still got a busy time ahead with today's game and the match against the Australian XI at Crystal Palace, Wallsend on Wednesday night. Our team will be looking for good results from both of these games to pick up the rhythm that saw us string together nine without defeat. Often it is hard to come back from defeats but the players are more determined than ever after coming so close to upsetting Marconi.

Every player in this side knows that we've got the best supporters in the league and we feel that is reason enough alone to give our best on the park. In recent weeks we've noticed several things that have stood out that highlight the fine sporting attitude and support of the Newcastle people. When our plane touched down at Williamtown after we had returned from beating Footscray 1-0 in Melbourne, there were 30 or 40 supporters out to greet us. That meant a terrible lot to the players. When Brisbane City had two players sent off and battled hard to defeat Newcastle recently, the Newcastle spectators stood and turned towards the Brisbane tunnel to applaud the Queenslanders off the park. That is true sportsmanship and one reason why I feel that Newcastle will never have the sort of spectator trouble that exists in other areas.

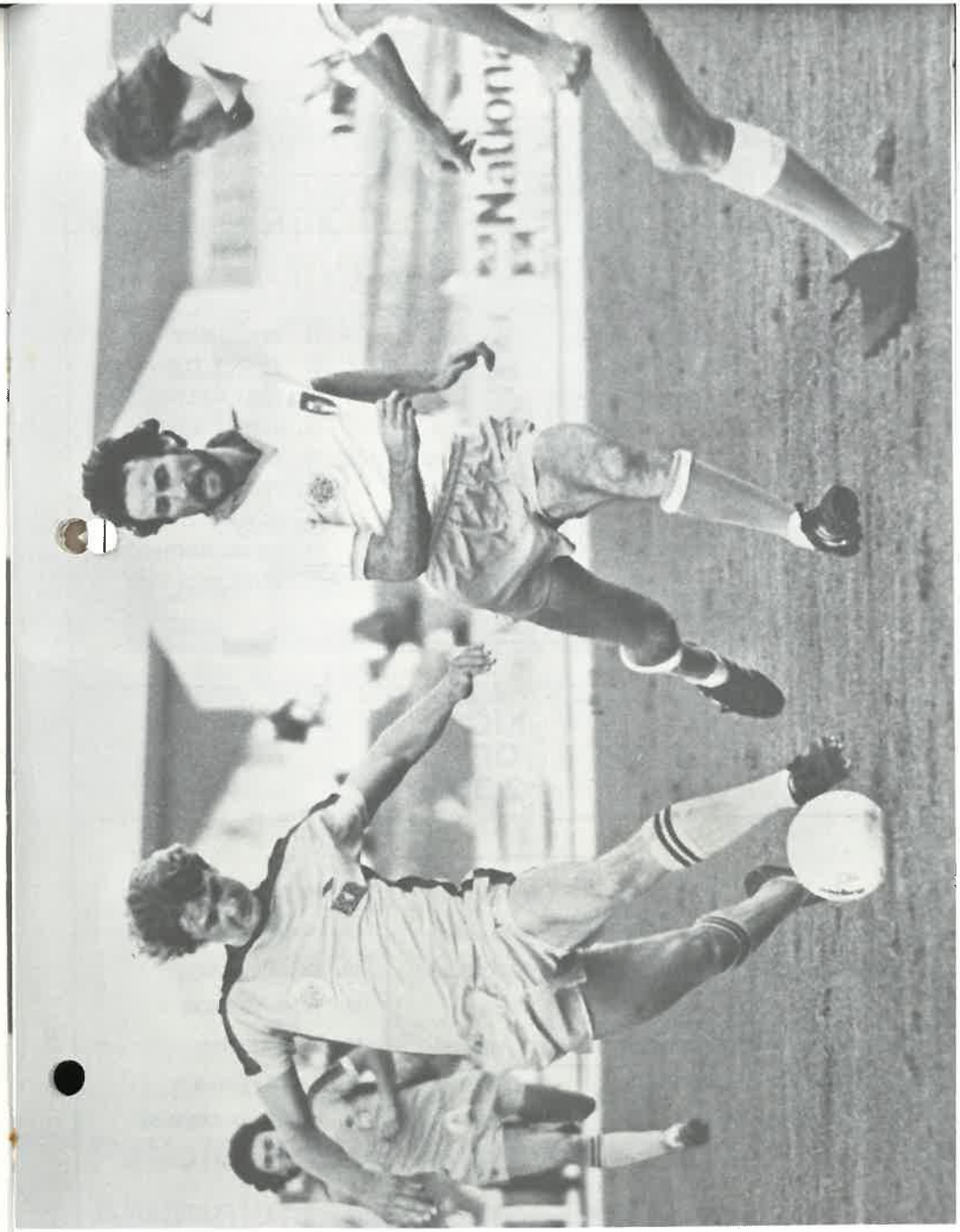
At Bossley Park last week United were cheered on by almost 1000 people who had made the trip. Their unified support added tremendously to the atmosphere of what was an exciting game.

We've still got to serve up our first competition win at home and right now that is the prime ambition of every player involved in today's game.

Both Frank Campbell and myself have had a good chance to look at Western Suburbs and judging by their record they have the ability to score goals fairly easily. Their record in this department is third best in the league.

There is also a fair bit of experience in the side but we'll be hoping to exploit the weaknesses that have cost them 23 goals this season.

The competition ladder is still a pretty tight situation and the teams that make an impression in the early stages of the second round could well be the sides that grab those important semi-final berths at the end.



Lloyd Hardes has Brisbane City on the back-pedal during KB United's last home match.
(PIC: Newcastle Herald)

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1. PHIL DANDO
2. PETER WILLIS
3. NEAL ENDACOTT
4. CRAIG MASON
5. BILL SUMMERSCALES
6. ROY DRINKWATER
7. LLOYD HARDES
8. SLAV CATALOVSKI
9. KEN BODEN
10. PETER KAY

MANAGER:
Alan Vest
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Emerald, cinnamon and white or Red, gold and black

11. BILL AMEY
12. JOHN J. TURNBULL
13. MIKE GALPIN
14. JOHN SNEDDON
15. COL CURRAN
16. PETER TREDINNICK
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6. DAVE HARDING
7. PETER STONE

MANAGER:
Mike Laing
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8. BRIAN O'DONNELL
9. ANDY SCOTT
10. CLIVE EATON
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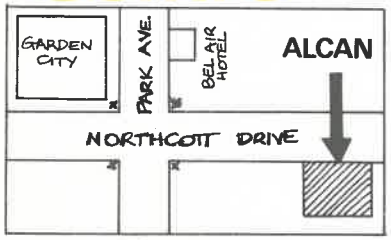

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I travelled to Newcastle to see your side against my old favourites Dundee and I must say that it was an afternoon of football such as I had not seen for 18 years, when I was last in Scotland. The KB United team must be very proud to have such strong support and such a wonderful stadium. The fans were behind their team all the way and, although I was one of the few Dundee fans, I was not at all unhappy to see the home team win. It is great to see a community get behind a team in the way that Newcastle have got behind KB United. From now on, whenever KB United plays in Sydney I will be amongst the Newcastle fans cheering them on.

D. MacARTHUR, Lakemba.

GOLD COLOURS

During the last few weeks our side has played in the gold, red and black strip instead of the green, brown and white. Most of our supporters have got scarves and banners in the green, brown and white but it might be a good idea to have alternative gear in the gold, red and black, especially when we play away, so we can be readily identified with our boys on the field.

M. RIXON, Shortland.

OUR TEAM

As a first time "away" traveller I must say what a great day it was when we went to give Marconi a fright. Despite the disappointment of losing our players and supporters gave a great account of themselves. Win, lose or draw, I'll be following United at every match I can get to from now on because after all, they're OUR team.

J. WEBBER, Warners Bay.

GOLD AWARDS

The Jackpot prize of three Gold Awards to the Newcastle KB United Football Club; one to the administration of the club, and those responsible for bringing the Scottish professionals, the Dundee team to Newcastle, this being the only game they will play in NSW, the second Gold Award goes to Alan Vest and his United team for their superb victory over Dundee, and for their good entertaining football.

United have at last brought to the Newcastle District, something we lovers of good football have been waiting, and longing for, for many years, this fact has been proved by the support, and attendances at all United's home games, and as the skill, and performance improve, as it must do, so will the support and attendances increase, and International Sports Centre will have to build us another stand.

A previous correspondent has already stated that barracking should not be left to a mere few, so how about all you supporters letting yourself go, and join in the chant of "UNITED", we also have a United song but nobody seems to know what tune to sing the words to; I would like to suggest that we form a vocal group to practice the song loud and clear, and then to have it taped, and played regularly before the game, by this everybody will learn the song, and will be singing it during the game.

My third "Gold Award", must go to David Fordham, and his NBN 3 crew, for their wonderful and efficient presentation and support for Newcastle United.

J. MENNIE, Gateshead West.

FAN-ATIC

Being an ex-Pommie, I am an **ardent** soccer fan, I've been in Australia for 17 years, and in the "Old Country" used to regularly support my local team, Arsenal. I've been waiting so long for a top class team to support, and when KB was formed it was everything I've dreamed about. I am obviously in the Supporters Club, and went to Williamtown to welcome our lads from their away victory at Footscray. To top it all off a win against a 1st Division Scottish team, Dundee, Oh Boy !

I love soccer, I guess its in my blood, and I really am a fanatic. Its here to stay, **for sure.** I would like to see another grandstand opposite the one at the ISC we would fill it.

One thing, when I come home after a game I can't talk for a couple of days.

R. TAYLOR, Carrington.

Brisbane City's goalkeeper Kim Wishart watches the ball go slipping past the post as he foils a raid by KB United's (from left) Mike Galpin, Bill Summerscales and Craig Johnston.
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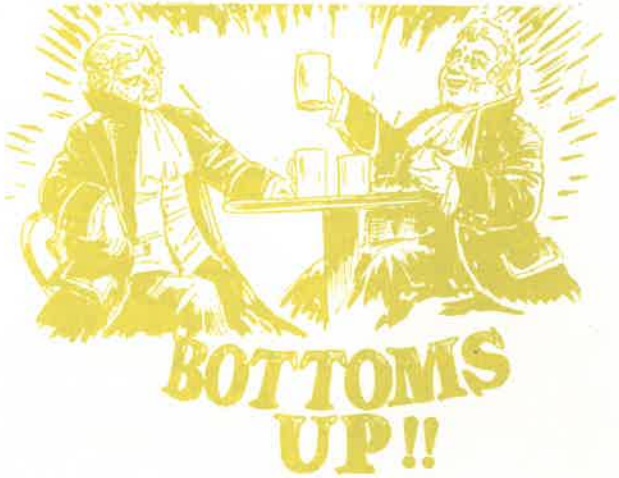

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The other points went to Peter Willis (2) and Mike Galpin (1).

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18 Boden
14 Summerscales
9 Dando, Curran
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The green and gold will be in Newcastle again on Wednesday night with Newcastle KB United meeting an Australian XI at Crystal Palace, Wallsend.

Three former Newcastle players have been named in the 13-man Australian squad.

They are Joe Senkalski (Sydney Olympic), Peter Stone (Western Suburbs) and Ian Stone (South Sydney). Both Peter and Joe played their first senior football with Adamstown Rosebuds before moving south to try their fortunes in the Philips League.

Ian, who is the only non-PSL player in the squad, is with South Sydney in the NSW Rothmans League.

The match, which will kick off at 7 pm, has been organised to mark the 50th anniversary of the Newcastle Junior Soccer Association.

The full Australian XI is: – Alan Maher (Marconi), Gary Byrne (Marconi), Peter Wilson (Wests), Paul Degney (Marconi), John Stephenson (Easts), John O'Shea (St George), Ian Stone (Souths), Peter Stone (Wests), Jimmy Rooney (Marconi), Peter Sharne (Marconi), Phil O'Connor (St George), Joe Senkalski (Sydney Olympic) and Murray Barnes (Easts).

Peter and Ian Stone and Senkalski played their junior football within the confines of the Newcastle Association and they are an indication of the many fine young players turned out by the junior body.

In KB United they will be meeting a number of players who also spent their junior days under the Newcastle Association umbrella. These include Col Curran, Neal Endacott, John Sneddon, Lloyd Hardes and Slav Catalovski.

The match will be the highlight of a night of football. The curtain-raiser will be the final of the Jubilee Cup for under-14 teams and there will also be a shoot-out challenge featuring United's youths and the Newcastle Association under-16 representatives.

The Newcastle Association has a proud history and while the records of many players have helped make it great, the unselfish work of its administrators should not go unnoticed.

Two men who stand out as great servants of the association are Bill Walker and Tom Percy.

As secretary, treasurer and president of the association, Tom Percy gave 40 years of honorary service.

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